

Woman of Mountain Flowers

Wind blows
down from the west
smells like rain
in rugged mountains

Canada geese
strong on their wings
call
to each other
in mountain wind

Northering snow geese
high against storm clouds
sing wild melodies
to dark sky
to each other

Man of mountains
walks
beside
woman of mountain flowers

Sagebrush
mountain streams
steep mountain slope
ponderosa pine trees, juniper trees
lodgepole pines
alive
beetle-killed
lodgepole pines

Falling ridge
levels to grasses and flowers
on mountain meadow

Woman and man
smell like clouds
like thunder
like sage
like mountain flowers
in wind

She sings in mountain wind

"Rain falls
down our mountain
touches a thousand colors
flowers
odors of flowers
washed mountains
brush
animals
startled by newness

Wind sings to its mother
Wind sings to its father."

Wind rattles shutters
shakes their house
Rain rattles
against their windows

Woman of mountain flowers
man of mountains
face each other
under mountain wind

she sings to him
he sings to her

Hold me close
warm
hold me tight

Mountain Storm
crashes around us